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[] Applicant claims small entity status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

Enclosed are:

- [X] Application Data Sheet pursuant to 37 CFR 1.76.
- [X] Specification with 13 pages, 11 claims and 2 sheets of drawing.
- [X] Declaration with [X] Power of attorney.
- [X] Assignment.
- [X] Cover letter in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §3.31 to accompany the assignment submitted for recording.
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Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 (a)-(d) on the basis of German Patent Application No. 100 02 557.9, filed January 21, 2000.

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